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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
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SERIAL NO: 10/551,231 :  
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 23, 2008, Applicant elects, with traverse, Group I, listed in the Restriction Requirement as readable on Claims 1-6, for further prosecution in the present application. Applicant lists Claims 1-6 as readable thereon.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Restriction Requirement for the following reason.

MPEP § 803 states:

If the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to distinct or independent inventions.

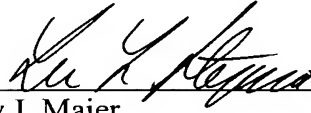
The claims of the present invention would appear to be part of an overlapping search area. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully traverses the outstanding Restriction Requirement on the grounds that a search and examination of the entire application would not place a serious burden on the Examiner. Therefore, an action on all of Claims 1-6 is earnestly solicited.

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The present application is believed to be in condition for allowance and an early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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